Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission

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DECEMBER 15, 2016, THURSDAY

6:00 P.M.

TERREBONNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ROOM Government Tower, 8026 Main Street, 2nd Floor

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I. CONVENE AS THE ZONING AND LAND USE COMMISSION

- A. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - 1. Approval of Minutes of Zoning and Land Use Commission for the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2016
- E. COMMUNICATIONS
- F. NEW BUSINESS:
 - 1. Parking Plan:

Creation of sixty-eight (68) parking spaces for a strip mall, 1128 Grand Caillou Road; Little Village, c/o Dalton LeBlanc, applicant (Council District 8/City of Houma Fire District)

2. Preliminary Hearing:

Rezone from R-3 (Multi-Family Residential) to C-1 (Central Business District) Lot 8, Block 77, Newtown Addition, 1011 Grinage Street; E3 Electrical, Inc., applicant; and call a Public Hearing on said matter for Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. (Council District 1/City of Houma Fire District)

- G. STAFF REPORT
- H. COMMISSION COMMENTS:
 - 1. Planning Commissioners' Comments
 - 2. Chairman's Comments
- I. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- J. ADJOURN

I. CONVENE AS THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

- A. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE
- D. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:
 - 1. Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission Minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2016
- E. APPROVE EMITTENCE OF PAYMENT FOR THE DECEMBER 15, 2016 INVOICES AND TREASURER'S REPORT OF NOVEMBER 2016
 - 1. Approval and accept the proposed 2017 Budget
- F. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:
 - 1. Approval of proposal(s) for the 2016 Audit
 - 2. Election of Officers for 2017
- G. COMMUNICATIONS

H. OLD BUSINESS:

1. a) Subdivision: <u>Resubdivision of Tract D into Tracts D-1 & D-2, Estate of Carrol J.</u>

Matherne

Approval Requested: <u>Process D, Minor Subdivision</u>

Location: 1647 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Terrebonne Parish, LA

Government Districts: Council District 2 & 3 / Bayou Cane Fire District

Developer: <u>Viking Partners, L.L.C.</u>
Surveyor: <u>Acadia Land Surveying, LLC</u>

b) Public Hearing

c) Consider Approval of Said Application

2. a) Subdivision: Resubdivision of Tracts B-1, B-3, & E-2 into Tracts B-3-A, B-3-B, B-3-C,

& E-2-A, Estate of Carol J. Matherne

Approval Requested: <u>Process D, Minor Subdivision</u>

Location: <u>1539 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Terrebonne Parish, LA</u>

Government Districts: Council District 3 / Bayou Cane Fire District

Developer: <u>Viking Partners, L.L.C.</u> Surveyor: <u>Acadia Land Surveying, LLC</u>

b) Public Hearing

c) Consider Approval of Said Application

I. APPLICATIONS:

1. a) Subdivision: <u>Acadian Pointe Subdivision, Phase "A"</u>

Approval Requested: <u>Process C, Major Subdivision-Final</u>
Location: <u>Laban Avenue, Terrebonne Parish, LA</u>

Government Districts: Council District 8 / City of Houma Fire District

Developer: <u>Professional Construction and Leasing, LLC; Donald B. Olivier, II</u>

Engineer: <u>David A. Waitz Engineering & Surveying, Inc.</u>

b) Consider Approval of Said Application

J. STAFF REPORT

K. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS:

- 1. Revised Lots 7 & 8 of Block 2, A Redivision of Revised Lots 7 & 8, Lewis Subdivision, Section 102, T17S-R17E, Terrebonne Parish, LA
- Lot Line Shift of 1.107 Acres Boundary Survey & 35' Wide Easement, Section 84, T16S-R17E, Terrebonne Parish, LA
- 3. Redivision of Property belonging to Dwayne Bourg, et ux, Gerald Porche, et al & Beverly P. Cadiere, Section 59, T16S-R17E, Terrebonne Parish, LA
- 4. Lot Line Shift between Lots 32 and 33, South Ellendale Estates Subdivision, Sections 72 & 81, T17S-R16E, Terrebonne Parish, LA

L. COMMITTEE REPORT:

1. Subdivision Regulations Review Committee

M. COMMISSION COMMENTS:

- 1. Planning Commissioners' Comments
- 2. Chairman's Comments

N. PUBLIC COMMENTS

O. ADJOURN

MINUTES

HOUMA-TERREBONNE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (HTRPC)

ZONING & LAND USE COMMISSION

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2016

- A. The Chairman, Dr. L.A. "Budd" Cloutier, Jr., called the meeting of November 17, 2016 of the HTRPC, convening as the Zoning and Land Use Commission, to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Terrebonne Parish Council Meeting Room with the Invocation led by him and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. James Erny.
- B. Upon Roll Call, present were: Mr. Joseph "Joey" Cehan, Jr.; Dr. L.A. "Budd" Cloutier, Jr., Chairman; Mr. James Erny; Mrs. Angi Falgout, Secretary/Treasurer; Mrs. Gloria Foret; Mr. Jeremy Kelley; Mr. Alex Ostheimer, Vice-Chairman; and Mr. Wayne Thibodeaux. Absent at the time of Roll Call was: Mr. Keith Kurtz. Also present was Mr. Christopher Pulaski, Director, Department of Planning & Zoning and Mr. Laddie Freeman, Legal Advisor.
- C. CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE: The Chairman reminded the Commissioners that if at any time tonight, a conflict of interest exists, arises or is recognized, as to any issue during this meeting, he or she should immediately disclose it, and is to recuse himself or herself from participating in the debate, discussion, and voting on that matter.

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. Mr. Erny moved, seconded by Mr. Kelley: "THAT the HTRPC, convening as the Zoning & Land Use Commission, accept the minutes, as written, for the Zoning and Land Use Commission for the regular meeting of October 20, 2016."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. Erny. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Cehan, Mr. Erny, Mrs. Falgout, Mrs. Foret, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Ostheimer, & Mr. Thibodeaux; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Kurtz. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.

E. COMMUNICATIONS: None.

F. PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1. The Chairman called to order the Public Hearing for an application by Motivatit Seafoods, LLC requesting to rezone from R-2 (Two-Family Residential) to C-3 (Neighborhood Commercial) Lots 8 & 9, Block 4, Garnet Addition, 408 Palm Avenue.
 - a) Mr. Ken Rembert, representing the applicant, discussed the request for rezoning and the desire for a parking lot to accommodate the seafood business across the street.
 - b) Mrs. Falgout moved, seconded by Mr. Ostheimer: "THAT the Public Hearing be closed."
 - The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mrs. Falgout. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Cehan, Mr. Erny, Mrs. Falgout, Mrs. Foret, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Ostheimer, & Mr. Thibodeaux; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Kurtz. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.
 - c) Mr. Pulaski discussed the Staff Report and stated Staff recommended approval of the rezoning request.
 - d) Mr. Ostheimer moved, seconded by Mr. Erny: "THAT the HTRPC, convening as the Zoning & Land Use Commission, recommend approval of the request to rezone from R-2 (Two-Family Residential) to C-3 (Neighborhood Commercial) Lots 8 & 9, Block 4, Garnet Addition, 408 Palm Avenue and forward to the Terrebonne Parish Council for final consideration."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. Ostheimer. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Cehan, Mr. Erny, Mrs. Falgout, Mrs. Foret, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Ostheimer, & Mr. Thibodeaux; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Kurtz. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. The Chairman called to order the Planned Building Group application by J-Bomm, LLC for the placement of five (5) storage buildings at 2335 St. Louis Canal Road.
 - a) The Chairman recognized Mr. James Chafin, 509 Corpus Christi Drive, discussed his plan for storage buildings on the property.

- Discussion was held with regard to the request being for five units with the b) intention of building two initially.
- Mr. Pulaski discussed the Staff Report and stated Staff recommended approval of c) the request.
- Discussion ensued with regard to a buffer between the residential and commercial properties.
- Mr. Ostheimer moved, seconded by Mr. Erny: "THAT the HTRPC, convening as e) the Zoning & Land Use Commission, grant approval of the Planned Building Group application."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mr. Ostheimer. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Cehan, Mr. Erny, Mrs. Falgout, Mrs. Foret, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Ostheimer, & Mr. Thibodeaux; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Kurtz. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.

- H. STAFF REPORT: None.
- I. COMMISSION COMMENTS:
 - Planning Commissioners' Comments: None.
 - 2. Chairman's Comments: None.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS: None. J.
- K. Mrs. Falgout moved, seconded by Mr. Erny: "THAT there being no further business to come before the HTRPC, convening as the Zoning and Land Use Commission, the meeting be adjourned at 6:10 p.m."

The Chairman called for a vote on the motion offered by Mrs. Falgout. THERE WAS RECORDED: YEAS: Mr. Cehan, Mr. Erny, Mrs. Falgout, Mrs. Foret, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Ostheimer, & Mr. Thibodeaux; NAYS: None; ABSTAINING: Dr. Cloutier; ABSENT: Mr. Kurtz. THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MOTION ADOPTED.

L.A. "Budd" Cloutier, O.D., Chairman Zoning & Land Use Commission

Becky M. Becnel, Minute Clerk Zoning & Land Use Commission

CERTIFICATION

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE ZONING AND LAND USE COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20, 2016.

> CHRISTOPHER PULASKI, PLA, DIRECTOR PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT

Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission ZLU16/17 Foning & Land Use Commission

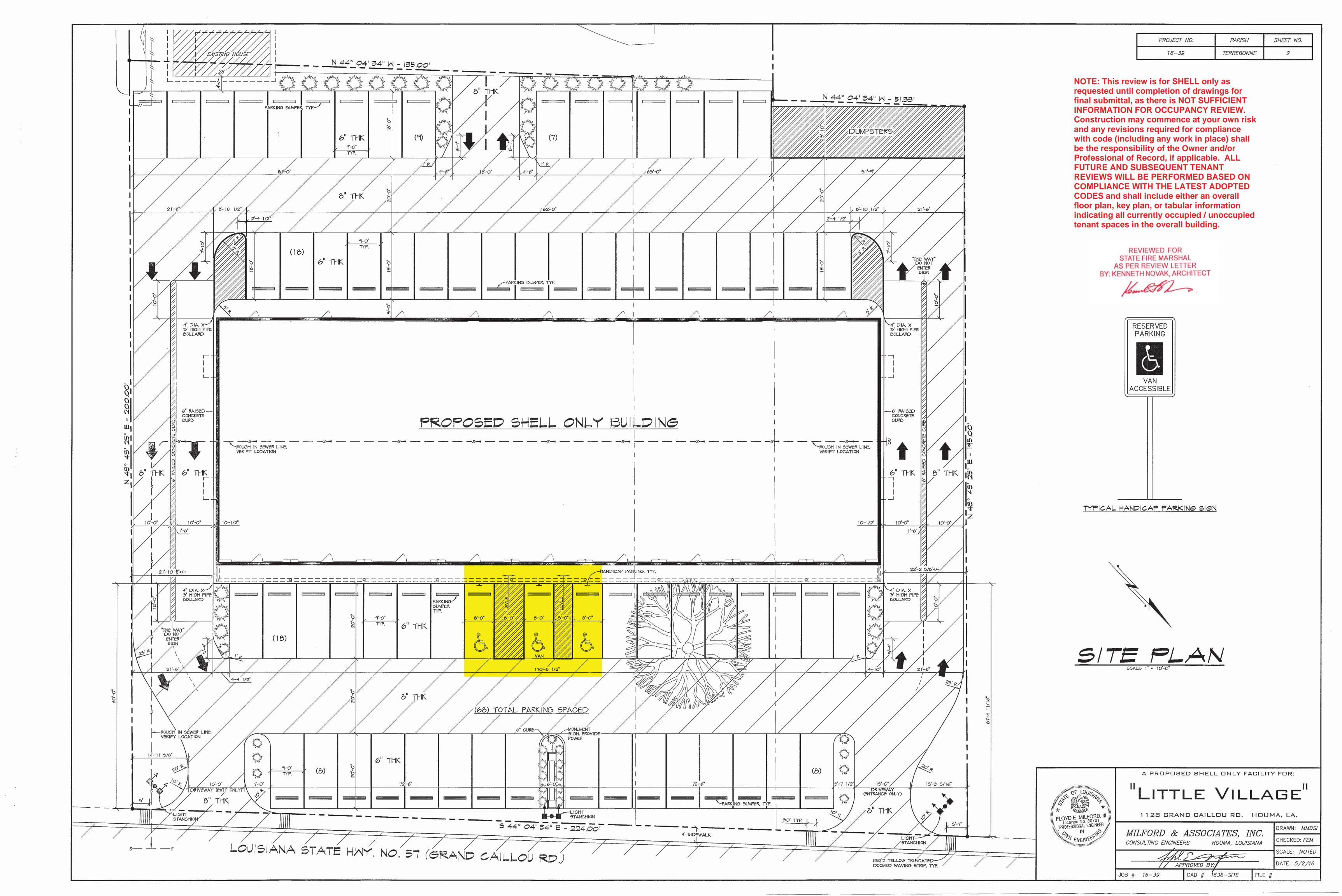
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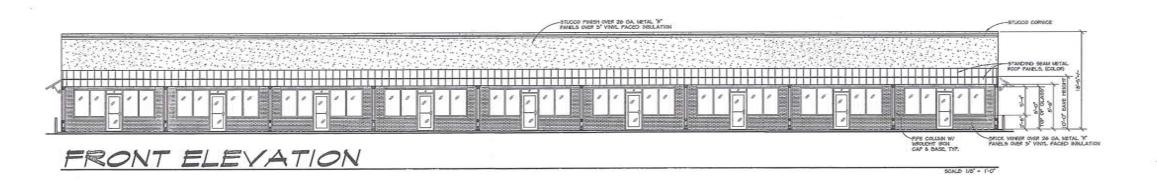
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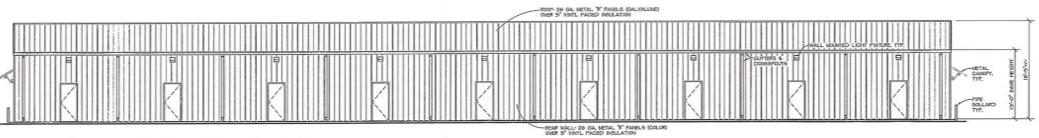
Zoning & Land Use Commission Application

Name: Little Address: H26789	Utl/Age	Dalton LeBlanc
Phone: 985-637-	2000	
Application For:	Planning Approval	Home Occupation \$10.00/application
	Parking Plan \$50.00/plan	Special Plan \$10.00/application
The premises affected are situated a Zoning District. This: Lot 135' x 200' on Sol	ne legal description of the prope	erty involved in this application
Has any previous application been Applicant's interest in the premises Approximate cost of work involved Explanation of property use:	saffected: d: 183,000 Park, vg - Drain	uje Rutels 68 spaces
Plot Plan attached: Yes Ground Floor Plan and Elevations	180 mm (200 mm)	attached: No
Address of adjacent property owner	1 = 141.11	,
1. THIS MAS CHIPPLES, JR & POSE 3223 GLENMAR HOUMA, LA 70363-	THOMAS P. RA	ama LA MMF, LLC O CHESTNUT ST. APT 10 V PRANCISCO, CA 94109 GAS
1	HOUMA, LA TO	364
ElMAnue Bache Signature of Applicant or A		985.637 - 2000 Phone Number
The undersigned is the owner of the indicates concurrence with the applicant or A Signature of Applicant or A OWNER	lication.	n the proposal and, in signing,



PROJECT NO.	PARISH	SHEET NO	
16-39	TERREBONNE	4	





REAR ELEVATION

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OVER 3' VINEL PACED RELLATION

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METAL CAMPY, TYP.

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SIDE WALLS

SCALE 1/6" - 1'-0"

NOTE: This review is for SHELL only as requested until completion of drawings for final submittal, as there is NOT SUFFICIENT INFORMATION FOR OCCUPANCY REVIEW. Construction may commence at your own risk and any revisions required for compliance with code (including any work in place) shall be the responsibility of the Owner and/or Professional of Record, if applicable. ALL FUTURE AND SUBSEQUENT TENANT REVIEWS WILL BE PERFORMED BASED ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE LATEST ADOPTED CODES and shall include either an overall floor plan, key plan, or tabular information indicating all currently occupied / unoccupied tenant spaces in the overall building.

REVIEWED FOR STATE FIRE MARSHAL AS PER REVIEW LETTER BY: KENNETH NOVAK, ARCHITECT



A PROPOSED SHELL DNLY FACILITY FOR:

1128 GRAND CAILLOU RD. HOUMA, LA.

MILFORD & ASSOCIATES, INC. CONSULTING ENGINEERS HOUMA, LOUISIANA

| DATE: 5/2/16

DRAWN: MMDS

CHECKED: FEM

SCALE: NOTED

ZLU16/18 Dist.l COHFire

Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission Foring & Land Use Commission

P.O. Box 1446 Houma, Louisiana 70361-1446 Bus (985) 873-6793 - Fax (985) 580-8141

Upon receipt of an application for amendment, the office of the Zoning Administrator shall examine the application and shall make such investigation as is necessary. Within fifteen (15) days of receipt of an application, the office of the Zoning Administrator shall transmit the application, together with its report and recommendation, to the Zoning Commission. The Zoning Commission then shall hold a preliminary hearing on the application within thirty-five (35) days after receipt of such application for amendment and shall notify the applicant and the office of the Zoning Administrator of the time and place of such hearing. After holding a preliminary hearing, the Commission shall certify the application for public hearing, and shall notify the applicant of the time and place of such public hearing. The Commission shall fix a reasonable time of a public hearing and shall give public notice, as required by law, as well as notice to the applicant and to the office of the Zoning Administrator.

This ordinance, including the zoning map, is based on comprehensive studies, and is intended to carry out the objective of a sound, stable, and desirable development.

Please return the application and supporting plans to the office of the Zoning Administrator,

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING - N	NO APPLICATION A	CCEPTED UNI	LESS COMPLE	TE
Date: 11 28 2016				
E3 ELECTRICAL, INC.				
Applicant's Name				
1001 LAFAYETTE ST.	HOUMA	LA	70360	
Address	City	State	Zip	
(985) 223-0778		SAME		
Telephone Number (Home)		(Work)		-
OWNER - SEE ACT	OF CASH	SAUC		
Interest in Ownership (Owner, etc.)				
1011 GRINAGE ST 1	OT & BLOCK	, 77 NE	MOWN	ADDITION
Address of Property to be Rezoned & Lega	l Description (Lot, 1	Block, Subdiv	ision)	
SEE EXHIBIT "A" FO	R LEGAL DE	SCRIPTIO	N	
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Zoning Classification Request:				
R-3		C 1		
From: N-3	_ To:	<u>C-1</u>		
Previous Zoning History:	X No	_		_ Yes
If Yes, Date of Last Application:				

AMENDMENT POLICY - Parish Zoning Regulations Section 28-201

REASONS FOR THIS AMENDMENT:

It is recognized that casual change of the ordinance would be detrimental to the achievement of stable development. It is public policy, therefore, to amend this ordinance only when one or more of the following conditions prevail:

PLEASE CHECK ONE OR MORE:

ERROR. There is a manifest error in the ordinance.

CHANGE IN CONDITIONS. Changed or changing conditions in a particular area or in the metropolitan area generally make a change in the ordinance necessary and desirable.

INCREASED NEED FOR SITES FOR BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY. Increased or increasing needs for business or industrial sites, in addition to sites that are available, make it necessary and desirable to rezone an area or to extend the boundaries of an existing district.

SUBDIVISION OF LAND. The subdivision or eminent subdivision of open land into urban building sites make reclassification necessary and desirable.

2. LIMITATIONS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Demonstrate that the proposed amendment meets the minimum size requirements and need for new districts as described in Section 28-201(b).

EXHIBITS REQUIRED - Parish Zoning Regulations Section 28-202

- LEGAL PLAT OF PROPERTY TO BE REZONED: This plat is to be prepared by a licensed land surveyor or civil engineer. On the required plat, please include:
 - Land area to be affected including legal description;
 - Present zoning classification of area to be affected and zoning classification of abutting districts;
 - Public rights-of-way and easements bounding and intersecting the designated area and abutting districts;
 - d. Locations of all existing and proposed structures with supporting open facilities;
 - e. The specific ground area to be provided and continuously maintained for the proposed structure or structures.
- 2. <u>REASON FOR AMENDMENT</u>: Please state on a separate sheet why this proposal complies with either one or more of the above checked conditions for rezoning. In addition, the applicant may submit (optional) a site plan and/or development schedule of the proposal with this application.
- 3. <u>DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE</u>: On a separate piece of paper, indicate a time schedule for the beginning and completion of development planned by the applicant. If the development is planned in stages, the time schedule shall indicate the successive stages and the development plan for each.
- 4. MARKET INFORMATION: Applicable only if the following conditions are met:
 - a. If the proposed amendment would require rezoning an area from an existing residential district to a freestanding commercial district;
 - b. If the proposed amendment would require more than double the area of an existing commercial district entirely surrounded by residential districts;
 - c. If the proposed amendment would enlarge an area of existing commercial district by more than eight (8) areas;

The market information shall include a written description of the market area to be served by the development, the population thereof, the effective demand for the proposed facilities and any other information describing the relationship of the proposed development to the needs of the applicable area.

- 5. PUBLIC NEED: Please state on a separate sheet the change in conditions in the area that make the proposed amendment necessary and desirable for the promotion of the public health, safety or general welfare. SEE ATTACHEO
- EFFECT OF AMENDMENT: Please include on a separate sheet of paper a report giving 6. the nature, description and effect of the proposed zoning amendment; if a change is required in the zoning map, a description of the probable effect on surrounding land uses and properties. SEE ATTACKED
- 7. ERROR: The error, if error is alleged, that would be corrected by the proposed amendment.

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED - Parish Zoning Regulations Section 28-202(d)

1. The name, description of property owned and mailing address of each owner of property lying within a distance of three hundred (300) feet of the fronting corners of the property.

2. Ten (10) days prior to the public hearing, the applicant shall submit proof of property posting in accordance with Section 28-202(d) of the Parish Zoning Ordinance.

SIGNATURES REQUIRED

1. Printed names and addresses along with interest of every person, firm, or corporation represented by the applicant (may use separate sheet of paper):

2. The undersigned is/are owner(s) and/or represent(s) all owners of the entire land area and/or structures and/or encumbrances (including holders of mortgages, liens, servitudes, rights of way, usufructs, rights of habitation) included within the proposed district and, in signing, indicate concurrence with application:

3. Sufficient evidence to establish that the applicants are all the owners and encumbrance holders of the designated area and structures, and have both the means and ability to undertake and complete the proposed development (may attach separate sheet of paper):

APPLICATION FEE SCHEDULE

Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government has adopted the following fee schedule:

Map Amendment:

\$25.00 / first acre

\$ 3.50 / every acre thereafter, up to fifteen (15) acres

Minimum Charge - \$25.00;

Maximum Charge - \$100.00

__ acres. A sum of _75.00 I (We) own < dollars is enclosed and made a part of this application.

DECLARATION

I (We) declare that, to be the best of my (our) knowledge and belief, all matters stated herein are true and correct.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent

SUMMARY

The Applicant is E3 Electrical, Inc., (herein referred to as E3) a privately held Louisiana Corporation which was incorporated in 2004. E3 provides electrical contracting, electrical engineering, electronics and manufacturing services and products to commercial, industrial, marine, governmental, and offshore customers. E3 is operating out of a building located at 1001 Lafayette Street. The premises was originally constructed in 2005 and is currently under expansion (see permit number 2015-74715). The current expansion was undertaken because the Company continues to need additional space to conduct its business activities. The expansion includes the acquisition the adjacent property fronting on Honduras between Grinage Street and Church Street having the municipal address of 300 Honduras Street and a 40' x 75'addition to the original building. With the recent acquisition of the abutting property located at 1011 Grinage Street, E3 intends to use the property for its Business Support Office (BSO) while having minimal or no negative impact to the adjoining residential district. This application is to rezone subject property from an R-3 to a C-1 classification.

EXHIBITS

1. Legal Plat of Property to be rezoned

- a. Land area to be affected including legal description
 - See survey by Leonard Chauvin, P.E., P.L.S., Inc. dated 07/07/2016 and plan showing Property to be rezoned dated 11/28/2016
 - ii. The property having an area of 6,000 square feet (.13774 acre) and having a municipal address of 1011 Grinage Street (Lot 8, Block 77 Newtown Addition) was acquired by E3 via an Act of Cash Sale without Warranty dated June 9, 2016 for \$35,000 (See COB 2462 Folio 633 Entry 1509131 (See Copy Attached along with Exhibit "A" for legal description).
- b. Present zoning classification: R3
- c. Public right-of-way and easements See Survey and Plan
- d. Location of existing and proposed structure See Survey and Plan
- e. Specific ground area See Survey and Plan

2. Reason for amendment

- a. Change in Conditions The existing property has been used as residential rental for numerous years. Due to changing conditions in the neighborhood, the previous owner had difficulty in finding steady tenants. As a result, the property has mostly been vacant and has recently fallen into disrepair. The previous owner, living in another city, was challenged in maintaining the structure and at times, the lot was overgrown with weeds, trees, and tall grass. The change in neighborhood conditions and the impact of that change on this property is a strong indication that an alternate and best use for the property would be a use other than residential.
- b. Increased Need for Sites for Business E3, located in the abutting C-1 district, has had a continuing and increasing need for additional space to conduct its business activities. Other abutting properties with a C-1 zoning have not become available to meet the increasing needs of E3. As a result, it has become desirable and necessary for E3 to acquire this property and to file this application to extend the current boundaries of the C-1 district. The proposed development is to clean, repair, and otherwise bring the existing structure (a wood frame house circa 1946) into code compliance for its intended use as E3's Business Support Office (BSO). The structure with approximately 628 square feet will include two offices for E3's staff. The use of the BSO will free up additional office space in E3's main building. The budget for the repair project is \$5,000.

3. Development Schedule

a. Once this application is approved, E3 will begin the process of cleaning, repairing, and upgrading the structure for code compliance. The anticipated schedule is less than six (6) months.

4. Market Information

a. The area of the land covered by this application is 50' x 120' or 6,000 square feet which is not 100% or more of the adjacent and surrounding C-1 district, and is less than eight (8) acres. Accordingly, the applicant is not required to include a written description of the market area and none is contained herein.

5. Public Need

a. Amending the zoning of the subject property from an R-3 district to a C-1 district is both necessary and desirable for the promotion of the public health, safety and general welfare of the community. As mentioned before, the existing property has been used as residential rental for numerous years. Due to changing conditions in the neighborhood, the previous owner had difficulty in finding steady tenants. As a result, the property has been vacant and has recently fallen into disrepair. The lot at times has been overgrown with weeds, trees, and tall grass. In addition to being a constant eyesore, this property like other vacant or abandoned houses in Houma and other communities around the country have proven to be detrimental to health, safety and general welfare of surrounding land owners. Abandoned houses represent a fire hazard, a crime hazard, and an overall blight to the economic health of the community. Rehabilitating such properties have reversed those negative conditions and have generally proven to be beneficial to the communities.

6. Effect of Amendment

a. The nature of the project described in this amendment application should have no negative effect on the surrounding land owners and on the overall community. b. The intended positive effects will include the elimination of an eyesore, the elimination of a safety hazard from the proper maintenance of the lot and structure.

7. Error

a. This application does not allege that there is an error in the zoning classification

8. Additional Information

- a. Information on the owner and property is as follows:
 - 1. Owner: E3 Electrical, Inc. 100%
 - 2. There are no mortgages, liens, or other encumbrances on the property.
 - 3. E3 has the financial means to complete the project without obtaining outside financial resources.

